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SUBJECT: SENATE CONFIRMATION HEARINGS FOR AMBASSADOR-
DESIGNATE KUBISCH

1. AMBASSADOR-DESIGNATE JACK KUBISCH APPEARED TODAY BEFORE SENATE FOREIGN RELATIONS COMMITTEE FOR CONFIRMATION HEARINGS. THOUGH RECENT EVENTS IN CYPRUS WERE NATURALLY ON MEMBERS' MINDS, KUBISCH EXPLAINED THAT HE COULD NOT ENTER INTO DISCUSSION OF SUBSTANCE OF THOSE EVENTS AS HE HAD NOT DIRECTLY INVOLVED IN MANAGEMENT OF CYPRUS CRISIS AND HE WAS JUST NOW BEGINNING TO BRIEF HIMSELF ON GREECE. KUBISCH INDICATED THAT, ACCORDING TO GENERAL POLICY GUIDANCE HE HAD RECEIVED ON GREECE, U.S. STRONGLY WELCOMED THE INSTALLATION OF THE KARAMALIS GOVERNMENT AND WARMLY APPLAUDED ITS COMMITMENT TO RESTORE DEMOCRATIC GOVERNMENT. HE ALSO DESCRIBED KARAMANLIS AS A HIGHLY RESPECTED STATESMAN WHOSE STATESMANSHIP HAD BEEN SHOWN AGAIN DURING PAST SEVERAL WEEKS, AND

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HE PROMISED TO WORK AS CLOSELY AS POSSIBLE WITH THE

KARAMANLIS GOVERNMENT TO MAINTAIN STRONG TIES BETWEEN
U.S. AND GREECE.

2. KUBISCH WAS PRECEDED BY CONGRESSMAN BRADEMAS AND SAR-
BANES WHO APPEARED BEFORE SFRC TO CRITICIZE STRONGLY U.S.
POLICY REGARDING CYPRUS AND TO URGE ADOPTION OF RESOLUTION
INTRODUCED BY CONGRESSMAN KYROS TO SUSPEND ALL ECONOMIC
AND MILITARY ASSISTANCE TO TURKEY UNTIL TURKISH FORCES HAD
BEEN WITHDRAWN FROM CYPRUS. KISSINGER

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